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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AMERICAN SMALL BUSINESS)
 LEAGUE,)
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 Plaintiff,)
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 v.)
)
 UNITED STATES SMALL BUSINESS)
 ADMINISTRATION)
)
 Defendant.)

No. C 08-0829 WDB

DECLINATION TO PROCEED BEFORE
 A MAGISTRATE JUDGE AND REQUEST
 FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED
 STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Defendant hereby declines the assignment of this case to a United States Magistrate Judge
 for trial and disposition, and hereby requests the reassignment of this case to a United States District
 Judge.

Dated: March 10, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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